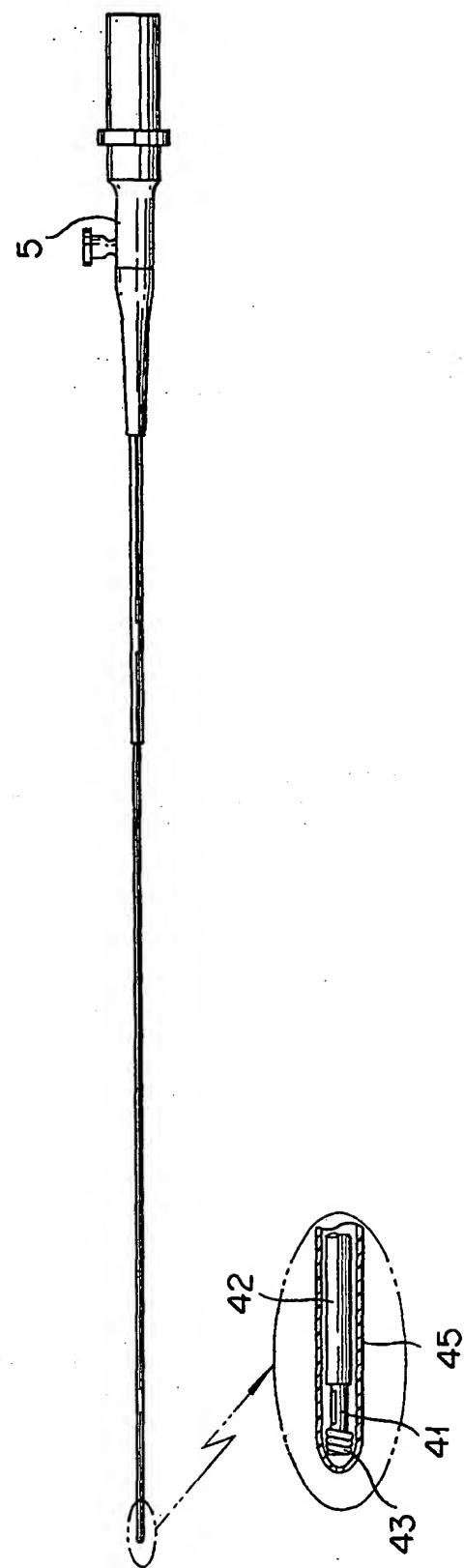


FIG. 2



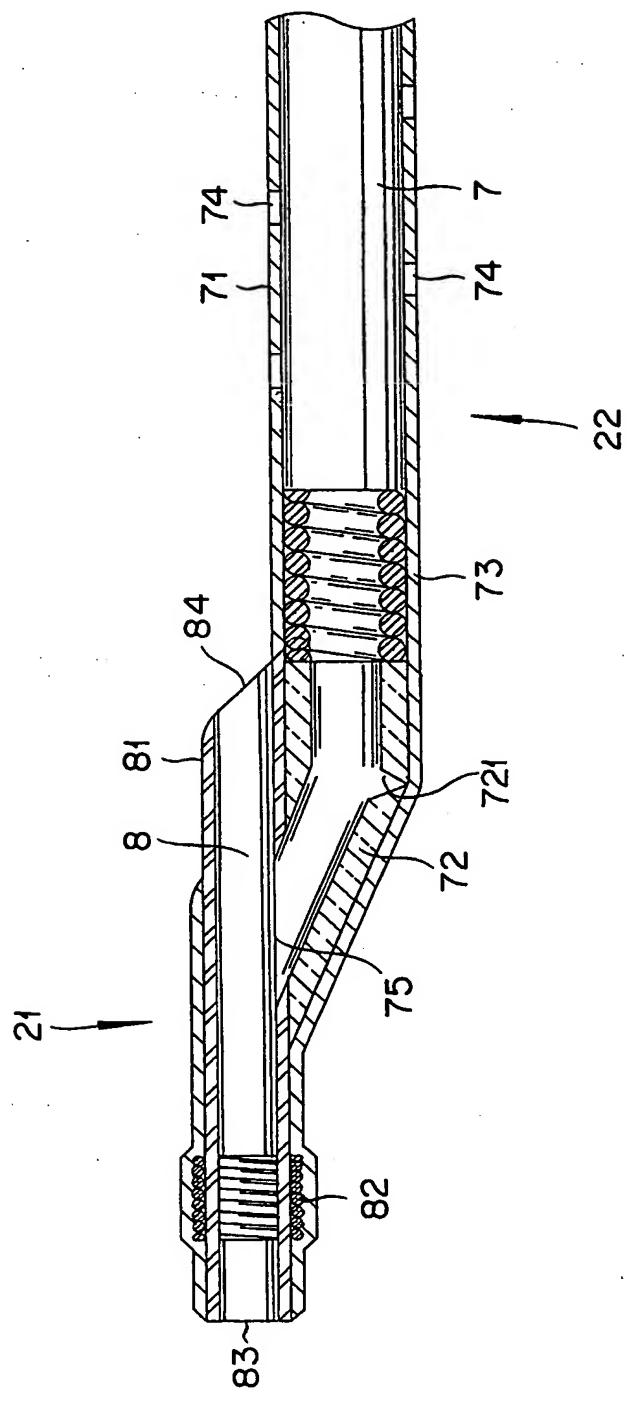
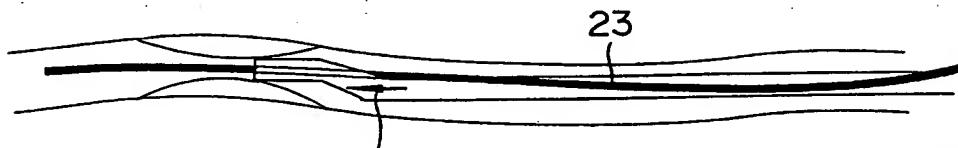


FIG. 3

FIG. 4A



A FORCE OF PUSHING THE CATHETER IS NOT TRANSMITTED  
TO THE DISTAL END OF THE CATHETER

FIG. 4B



FIG. 4C



FIG. 4D



FIG. 4E

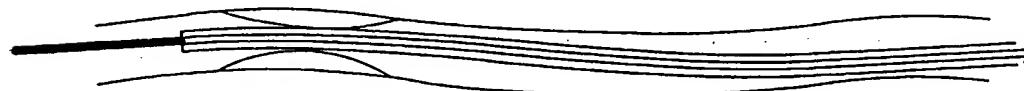


FIG. 4F



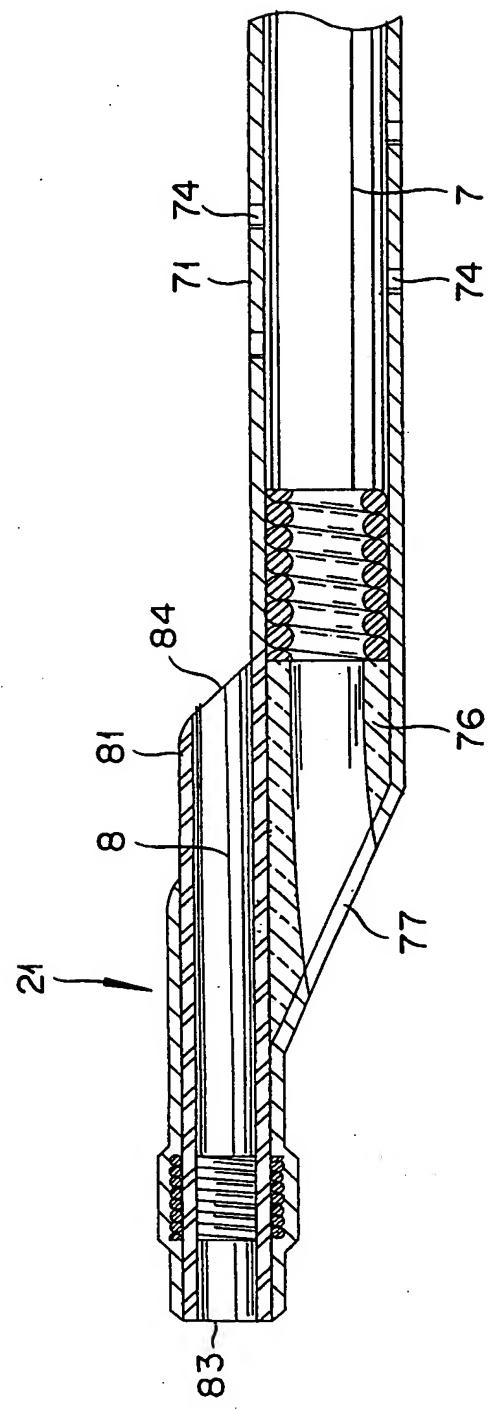


FIG. 5

FIG. 6

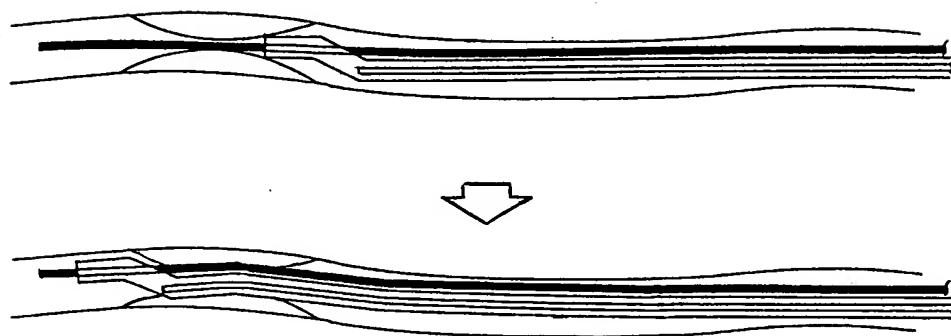


FIG. 7

